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Spratt, Hollings Secure \$75,000 for Society Hill Railroad Depot

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that, with the help of Senator Ernest F. Hollings, \$75,000 is on track to be appropriated to restore the Cheraw & Darlington Railroad Depot in Society Hill, South Carolina.

The Depot is among the oldest railroad stations in South Carolina, dating back to just after the Civil War. The money is included in the Fiscal Year 2004 Interior Appropriations bill, which is expected to pass Congress this week.

"I commend Darlington County for its efforts to preserve this historical treasure," said Spratt. "This Depot is a great example of early railroading in South Carolina, and I am pleased to see the funding come through for this project.

"The real credit goes to Senator Hollings," Spratt said. "His tireless work has brought money for projects like this one in South Carolina time and time again."